

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Master Sergeant Daniel E. Stapleton's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Master Sergeant Daniel E. Stapleton has devoted over 24 years of his life to the service of this state and country in a wide variety of positions to include most prominently serving with the South Dakota Army National Guard Recruiting and Retention BN for 16 years, and deploying as the Rapid Fielding System NCOIC in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom/Enduring Freedom; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country, and through his guidance, hundreds of soldiers have answered the call to Federal Activations or State Active duty ensuring South Dakota and the United States of America are safer places; and,

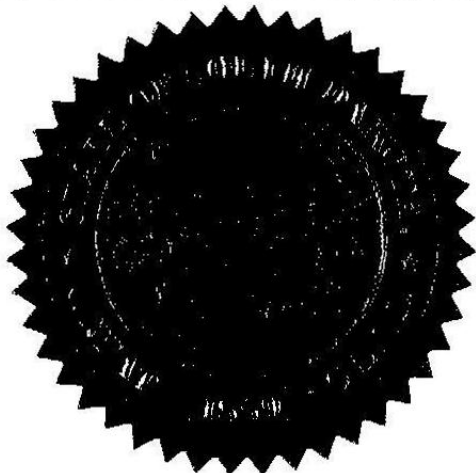
Whereas, Master Sergeant Daniel E. Stapleton continues to give of himself through sharing his experiences and the pride bestowed from serving our great nation with all whom cross his path; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Master Sergeant Daniel E. Stapleton for over 24 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 22, 2011, as

MASTER SERGEANT DANIEL E. STAPLETON DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-ninth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Judy A. Larson, Exec. Asst.
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State